

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1 1. (currently amended) A method for extending a telephone's capability
2 comprising steps of:
3 enabling a telephone to store call-related data in memory located within
4 said telephone;
5 enabling a computer to alternatively store said call-related data in
6 memory located within said computer;
7 receiving first call-related data at said telephone;
8 recognizing that said first call-related data is to be stored in memory;
9 determining, within said telephone, whether said first call-related data
10 will be stored in said telephone memory or said computer memory; and
11 storing said first call-related data in said telephone memory or said
12 computer memory based upon said determination;
13 wherein said telephone is enabled to perform telephone functions
14 independently of said computer;
- 1 2. (previously amended) The method of claim 1 further including a step of
2 establishing a direct data connection between said telephone and said
3 computer, said telephone and said computer being structurally separate
4 components.
- 1 3. (original) The method of claim 2 wherein said telephone and said
2 computer are located within a common workspace, said step of establishing
3 said direct data connection being independent of providing connectivity for
4 receiving said first call-related data.

1 4. (cancelled)

1 5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of determining includes
2 steps of:

3 monitoring storage availability within said telephone memory;
4 comparing said monitored storage availability to a storage threshold
5 that is related to said telephone memory; and
6 storing said first call-related data in said computer memory when said
7 storage threshold related to said telephone memory is exceeded.

1 6. (original) The method of claim 5 further including a step of retrieving
2 call-related data from said computer to said telephone in response to signals
3 from said telephone.

1 7. (previously amended) The method of claim 1 further including steps of:
2 enabling a first processor located within said telephone to process data
3 received at said telephone;
4 enabling a second processor located within said computer to process
5 data received at said telephone;
6 recognizing that said first call-related data received at said telephone is
7 to be processed; and
8 determining, within said telephone, whether said first call-related data
9 will be processed by said first processor or said second processor, said
10 telephone thereby controlling said first call-related data with respect to which
11 of two structurally separate components will perform processing thereon.

1 8. (original) The method of claim 1 further including a step of utilizing a
2 processor of said computer to process at least a portion of said first call-
3 related data in response to instructions from said telephone.

1 9. (original) The method of claim 1 further including a step of establishing a
2 data connection between said telephone and said computer by connecting
3 said telephone separately to a telephone network and to said computer.

1 10-16. (cancelled)

1 17. (currently/amended) A method of extending the capability of a telephone
2 comprising the steps of:

3 enabling a first processor resident in a telephone to process data
4 received at said telephone;

5 enabling a second processor resident in a computer to process data
6 received at said telephone;

7 establishing a direct data connection between said telephone and said
8 computer, wherein said telephone and said computer are structurally separate
9 components located within a common workspace and wherein said telephone
10 is configured to perform telephone functions independently of said computer;

11 receiving call-related data at said telephone;

12 recognizing that said call-related data requires further processing;

13 determining, using automated processing capabilities of said

14 telephone, whether said call-related data will be processed in said first
15 processor or said second processor, including basing said determination
16 upon automated processing performed by said telephone; and

17 processing said call-related data in either said telephone or
18 said computer based upon said determination made using said automated
19 processing capabilities.

1 18. (cancelled)

1 19. (currently amended) The method of claim 17 18 further including steps
2 of:

3 enabling said telephone to store data received at said telephone in
4 memory located within said telephone;

5 enabling said computer to store data received at said telephone in
6 memory located within said computer;

7 recognizing that said received call-related data is to be stored in
8 memory;

9 determining, within said telephone, whether said call-related data will
10 be stored in said telephone memory or said computer memory; and

11 storing said call-related data in said telephone memory or said
12 computer memory based upon said determination.

1 20. (original) The method of claim 19 wherein said steps of determining are
2 performed by an application programming interface residing within said
3 telephone.